

# THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church at 3319 West Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15216

## Minutes from January 6, 2026

WPNS President Michael Drabick called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Eleven members and two guests present.

### Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved (motion Krivoniak, Spak 2<sup>nd</sup>).

### Treasurer's Report

- Account balance as of December 31 was \$1,336.80 (motion Krivoniak, Spak 2<sup>nd</sup>).

Correspondence: None.

Committee Reports: None.

### Announcements:

- Upcoming coin shows: Castle Shannon, February 15, March 22, April 12; West Penn, January 24-25; South Hills, February 7; ANA, February 25, Savannah GA; North Hills, March 29; PAN, May 28-30.

### Membership:

- Vote to accept David Falcone to the club. His interests include counterfeit detection. He is a current member of South Hills Coin Club. Motion Schiff, Krivoniak 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved. Welcome, David!

### Old business:

- Ed Krivoniak typed up a summary of unanswered questions from his presentation last month on error coins. Copies distributed to those present. Notable is an ongoing information source on the topic, <https://www.minterrornews.com>.

New business:

- Mike presented a video from the U.S. Mint concerning their 2026 Semiquincentennial circulating coin designs. Available at this link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KGlj4jO5Glo>

Presentation – Michael Drabick, a tour of Poland and the Czech Republic last year, including several sites of numismatic interest. He met with members of Polskie Towarzystwo Numizmatyczne (PTN), the Polish Numismatic Society. He had toured parts of Poland as a college student, back when it was a Communist country under the control of the USSR, so it was interesting to see how it had changed in the roughly 40 years since he was there.

Followed by show & tell.

Adjourned approximately 9:20.

Minutes submitted by Stuart Strickland, Recording Secretary.